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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, the following documents are being brought to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-captioned application.

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EP 0 484 281 A SANDOZ AG; SANDOZ LTD

WO 97 04005 A CHEM AG C; LUECHINGER JEAN M

Other Documents

PAPAGEORGIOU C ET AL: "ANTI HIV-1 ACTIVITY OF A HYDROPHILIC CYCLOSPORIN DERIVATIVE WITH IMPROVED BINDING AFFINITY TO CYCLOPHILIN A"

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The above-identified documents were cited in an International Search Report dated January 13, 2000 received in connection with PCT Patent Application No. PCT/IB99/01232, filed June 30, 1999, corresponding to the above-identified application. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed.

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